

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: <b>Achtermann et al.</b>	§	Group Art Unit: <b>2157</b>
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Serial No.: <b>09/438,436</b>	§	Examiner: <b>Todd, Gregory G.</b>
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Filed: <b>November 12, 1999</b>	§	Attorney Docket No.: <b>AUS919990655US1</b>
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For: <b>Apparatus for Connection Management and the Method Therefor</b>		

**NOTICE OF REINSTATEMENT OF APPEAL**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the office action dated July 2, 2007 finally rejecting claims 1, 2, 4, 6-13, 15, 17-24, 26 and 28-33.

No fee is believed to be necessary. If, however, any fee is required, please charge this fee to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0447. In the event that any additional fees are required for the prosecution of this application, please charge any necessary fees to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0447. No extension of time is believed to be necessary. If, however, an extension of time is needed, the extension is requested and the fee for this extension should be charged to IBM Corporation Deposit Account No. 09-0447.

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